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SUCCESSFUL.

CENTRALIZING HEALTH AUTHORITY.

There is much to commend in the proposal made at the Civic Convention in Wailuku that all of the health and sanitation matters of the territory be centered under the control of the territorial board of health. There is also much to question in it. Even those most in favor of strengthening county and municipal government—and the Star-Bulletin believes in county and municipal government—cannot close their eyes to the unsatisfactory results due to the divided system of health supervision in Honolulu. An instance of this, enough to make the angels weep were it not for its ridiculous aspects, is the long-standing dispute as to inspection of the fish-markets. For four years at least this dispute has gone on. Some scheme will be hatched to bridge over temporary splits between the city and territorial health authorities, for a few days or a few weeks all appears to be harmony, the subject sinks from public notice—and suddenly up bobs the old row again, accompanied by assertions and denials from both sides and usually by the declaration of the territorial authorities that conditions at the fish-market are a disgrace and a menace. There will be another "crisis," another temporary truce, again the matter will be forgotten, and again it will flare up into a burning issue. So on ad infinitum and ad nauseam.

If the city health authorities cannot organize their department, carry it on effectively, cooperate with the territorial board of health and make progress the watchword, something will be done by the long-suffering public. It may be by emphatic action at the polls in summarily ousting the old and voting in the new. It may be through action of the legislature. That "something" is suggested in the proposal from the Civic Convention that in the future all health matters be placed exclusively under the jurisdiction of the territory.

Now it is plain that if county and municipal government is to develop at all, it should develop so that it can shoulder and carry out increased responsibilities. That is the theory of local self-government and if local government can measure up to its opportunities, the counties and the city and county of Honolulu will be given even more powers and rights than they now possess.

If the legislature should restore to the territorial board of health exclusive jurisdiction in health matters, the blame for this loss of an item of self-government will rest with the county officials who failed to make good on their opportunities.

And that will be one of the costly results of the territory.

WILSON AND THE "JOB."

President Wilson's party is facing a serious situation in this fall campaign, but the president is putting first his duty to his office and second his political aspirations and Democratic political advantage. In brief, Wilson is staying "on the job" and in view of recent local discussion as to whether or not Hawaii's representative should be "on the job" in Washington, the president's statement is of some interest.

"In view of the unlooked-for international situation, our duty has taken on an unexpected aspect. Every patriotic man ought now to stay on his job" until the crisis is passed, and ought to stay where his job can best be done.

The president cannot, especially in times like these, turn away from his official work even for a little while. Too much depends upon his keeping all the threads of what is occurring in his hands.

"I have, therefore, reached the conclusion that I cannot in any ordinary sense take an active part in the approaching campaign; that I must remain here to attend to the serious work sure to fill the months immediately before us—months that will carry with them obligations, no doubt, of the most tremendous sort. I know that you will feel similarly about your own obligations; that members of congress, too, without distinction as to party affiliations, will feel that they must remain to do the work of necessary and pressing service and bring it to a successful conclusion."

Announcement is sent out from London that England is going to "put the lid" on war news from now on. Most people were under the impression that Lord Kitchener had already slammed on the aforesaid lid and was sitting upon it implacably.

The third annual Civic Convention will stand out in many material aspects as the most successful of these annual gatherings that Hawaii has seen. Perfect weather, hosts overflowing with real hospitality, a program exceptionally well arranged and carried out with the precision of clockwork, a splendid spirit of harmony and a genuine appetite for work—these factors combined to make the Wailuku convention one of the big events of the year.

The papers that were delivered were thoughtful and full of "meat," and the reports of the holdover committees in particular were based on study and accurate observation of territorial needs. The recommendations for a new territorial road system, for promotion, encouragement and for progress in health matters show that the members of the convention were alive to real issues and determined to get real solutions to the various problems inseparably connected with the growth and development of Hawaii.

Maui did its work of preparation and entertainment to perfection—the convention did its share. It was a convention that assures the permanence of this plan for territorial co-operation.

OUTDOOR CIRCLE SECTION.

Members of the Outdoor Circle will edit a special feature section in next Saturday's Star-Bulletin. This organization, devoted to the improvement and beautification of the city, has prepared an extremely interesting and timely set of articles, which will be published with appropriate illustrations. The aim and ideals of the Circle are set forth in articles by several of the women of the city who have won a leadership in public movements of the kind. The Outdoor Circle contributions will be found of general interest.

One of the items in the war news that does not seem to have reached Honolulu by any ordinary source is published in a Polish paper printed in Milwaukee. A committee of prominent Poles, headed by the world-famous pianist, Ignace Paderewski, has sent to the United States an appeal for 20,000 of their countrymen to go to Europe and fight the Germans. The appeal is being spread broadcast over the United States. Col. Josef Galezowski is the chairman of the committee. It is probable that Uncle Sam's neutral stand will operate to prevent the Poles sailing from this country to join the colors.

Russian war reports appear to be particularly unreliable. If the reports of the past month are lumped together and the number of prisoners taken in each alleged successful engagement added up, something more than 700,000 Austrians would now have been captured and several hundred thousand more killed and wounded.

Delegate Kuhio has been nominated thoroughly already and the filing of a new nomination to protect himself in case the primary law is declared illegal is merely a matter of form. If a Republican convention were held, it would be virtually bound to nominate the successful candidates at the primaries.

Among the Rapid Transit transfer schemes that the public would appreciate is one to allow an all-day ride for five cents with a transfer good for a seat in the grandstand during all baseball games.

Russia talks as calmly of putting another million men in the field as if they were cattle—which is not entirely inapt as a figure of speech justified by events at the front.

Lucky that President Wilson doesn't demand neutrality in this world's championship baseball series. You can't make a fan neutral unless he's dead.

To put it cautiously, there are intimations of divergent opinions as to the results of this fighting on the Russian border.

Trouble with the "paid runner" system is that after they're paid they merely walk.

China will have to grin and bear this violation of neutrality.

Well, why shouldn't the Nuuanu water situation be strained?

GOVERNOR PINKHAM'S MESSAGE TO THE CIVIC CONVENTION

Commenting on the free sugar question, the tourist problem, and the matter of better roads for the territory, Gov. L. E. Pinkham's message to the Civic Convention was one of interest and in line with the discussion about which the third annual gathering was centered. Owing to the governor's inability to be present at the convention on account of ill health his message was conveyed by Secretary of the Territory Wade Warren Thayer, who later delivered an address along the lines upon which the chief executive has expressed himself.

Taking up first the matter of sugar, the governor's message was, in part, as follows:

"Sugar: 'Evidently Congress and the president, when they established a deferred date for free sugar, intended to give an opportunity for further investigation of the sugar problem.

"The reduction that occurred the first of last March was so slight as not to have any vital consequences and was less than sugar men were generally willing to accept. The factor that caused low sugar prices was over-production and extension of production induced by high prices during 1907-1912.

"The producers of sugar of Hawaii will, I think, have next year an opportunity to present the absolute true facts as to their sugar costs and, if the disclosures prove the necessity, the chance of petitioning that the day of free sugar be extended for some years, or the reduction contemplated for 1915 abandoned.

"I believe it the best policy for Hawaii to conduct itself in a courteous manner toward the present administration so it may be able, with dignity and self-respect, to receive and give due consideration to such representations as the Hawaiian sugar interests desire to present.

"Hawaii was so offensive during 1913 it barred itself from the consideration it might have received."

"I am told, although I cannot vouch for its truth, that the representative of the Hawaiian sugar interests is now pursuing an offensive yellow journal course; if this is true it is of doubtful commercial strategy.

"If the sugar interests desire this sort of a campaign it is their privilege.

"I had been given to understand that they desired a fair presentation of the facts in relation to Hawaii, and would be well satisfied if the present net rate of \$20. per ton could be retained. To secure the privilege of such a presentation and to have it duly and carefully considered by the administration has been the stated duty and purpose of the governor.

"If the people and sugar interests of Hawaii are not satisfied with such a purpose, and believe a nagging, overconfident, distorted campaign is a more effective policy, there is no influence in this territory that can control that, or reason with them.

"Tourists: 'Honolulu desires tourists, it should provide for them, and a perfect boulevard from First street to Kapiolani park. Not only should the road be perfect and perfectly maintained, but the accessories be attractive. At present this thoroughfare to our hotels is a disgrace and no temporary measures will redeem it.

"Maui is ambitious, and her scenic belt road is beyond her means, but she has two attractions that could be made available within her present means. An attractive rest house with ample one or two days' comforts could be provided on the high plateau with the valley, so the lights and shadows and forms of that wonderful and unapproached velvety vegetation, softer than the production of any looms, could be enjoyed.

"A road to and a rest house near the summit of Haleakala is easily possible with your (Maui's) means. More ambitious projects could await the proof of the patronage of what could be so easily provided.

"Hawaii has it in her power, by a contractor contract system, to maintain a good automobile road from Hilo to the volcano. Nothing but sheer improvidence and shiftlessness has permitted its deterioration.

"The government has recently done its utmost to preserve and extend the remaining tropical and fern forest on that road, that tourists may have some idea of such foliage and jungle.

"Kauai has never taken very decided action as to tourists, but she has some marvelous gulches and could well begin and gradually extend trails and rest houses at no great annual expense.

"Good roads: 'There is a mighty talk on this subject, and the governor is today himself an example of what rough roads will do to a man. Until public utilities can be kept entirely to one side of the traveled street, perfect roads are out of the question. A corporation controlled by gentlemen I believe sincerely interested in civic affairs, tears up at will the streets of Honolulu and never replaces them in perfect condition, but shirks its duty under the

form of some impracticable agreement with the government. It is not a square deal with the street-using public.

"The territorial government has lost control of the streets, sewers, water pipes, etc., etc., but at its last gasp tried to set an example in the McInerney tract.

"The Awaolu district had its utilities all laid in the center of its numerous streets before the present administration came into power, so the streets are to be macadamized presumably to be later disturbed by connections.

"It is hoped this civic convention, the Chamber of Commerce and other bodies of interest can put an end to the insane installation of public utilities and get them where they belong; that is, where one utility will not destroy another, and streets are utilities."

Personal Mention

DR. GEORGE HUDDY of Maui is a visitor at the capital with the arrival of the Mauna Kea.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES H. AHERN returned from a visit to Maui in the steamer Mauna Kea this morning.

GEORGE BROWN has returned from a flying trip to the mainland. He was a passenger in the Matson steamer Manoa.

H. P. JUDD completed a business and pleasure trip to the Coast, returning this morning in the Matson steamer Manoa. He was accompanied by Mrs. Judd.

FRANK MEDEIROS of Hilo is an arrival from the Coast today in the Matson steamer Manoa. He will depart for the Big Island tomorrow in the steamer Kilauea.

J. A. ENQUIST, representing one of the large paper houses on the Pacific slope, is making an annual trip to the islands. He was a passenger in the Matson steamer Manoa.

H. B. SPERRY, son of the mainland flour king, and Mrs. Sperry are arrivals in the Matson steamer Manoa, to remain here some weeks on a honeymoon tour of the islands.

FRED C. SMITH, general passenger and ticket agent for the Oahu Railway and Land Company, has completed a business trip to the mainland, returning to the islands today in the steamer Manoa.

THEODORE A. COOKE and Mrs. Cooke, who were interrupted on their honeymoon tour because of the European war, returned to the islands this morning in the Matson Navigation steamer Manoa. They remained a few weeks in London following the outbreak of hostilities.

KENNETH CROFT, representing the San Diego excursion, is an arrival today as a passenger in the steamer Manoa. He is here in the interests of a Hawaiian exhibit and will confer with local commercial bodies with a view of interesting them in behalf of the fair. Mr. Croft will also endeavor to secure talent to participate in a vaudeville show to be given at the Hawaiian and south sea village.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—M. C. PACHECO—I am glad to learn that Harry Holt and Dave Sherwood quit their jobs. They are to be congratulated; they are the first Republicans who ever did quit a job.

—D. L. CONKLING (from New York)—My friends certainly stood by me in the race for the treasurer's nomination and if I am elected in November I shall make good. I shall be back in Honolulu about October 20.

JAMES D. LEVENSON: All plans and schemes for holding up the stage and robbing the Ad Club treasury on the Maui Civic Convention pilgrimage by day and night were an absolute failure. The shaggy Ad Club mascot, Ezra Crane, has faithfully assisted me in holding on to the precious box till the last. Non-systematized conspiracy was the cause, and wherever there is no system there is no success. We have brought back to town just one-half million bucks in Ad Club currency and our dear old Ad Club smile. Three cheers for mascot Crane, the treasury, and the smile!

DWELLINGS FOR RENT

FURNISHED HOUSES:

1554 Palolo Valley road	3 bedrooms	\$35.00
2463 Manoa road	3 bedrooms	65.00
Pikoi and Young streets	3 bedrooms	55.00
Adams Lane	3 bedrooms	50.00
1052 14th avenue	2 bedrooms	45.00

UNFURNISHED HOUSES:

Auld lane	3 bedrooms	\$16.00
Kalihi, opp. Kam. IV road	3 bedrooms	25.00
Wilhelmina Rise	2 bedrooms	30.00
1512 Young street	2 bedrooms	35.00
1113 Kinau street	3 bedrooms	30.00
Aloha Lane	2 bedrooms	17.00
1323 Palolo Valley road	2 bedrooms	13.50
1563 Wilder avenue	3 bedrooms	40.00
1139 9th avenue, Kaimuki	4 bedrooms	45.00
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2015 Lanikuli drive	3 bedrooms	40.00
1339 Wilder avenue	3 bedrooms	40.00
1128 Wilder avenue	3 bedrooms	35.00
1231 Matlock avenue	2 bedrooms	22.50
1323 Matlock avenue	3 bedrooms	27.50
1328 Kinau street	3 bedrooms	35.00
1046 Young street	2 bedrooms	25.00
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Manoa	2 bedrooms	41.00
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Cor. Koko Head and Pahoa ave., Kaimuki	4 bedrooms	45.00

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